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FROM USDEL ANTARCTICA

CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

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TAGS: XV, TGEN
SUBJECT: ANTARCTIC TREATY: MARCH PREPARATORY MEETING:
POLISH CONSULTATIVE STATUS

REF: LONDON 4241

1. CONSULTATIVE PARTIES MET AGAIN AS ON MARCH 14 TO DIS-
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CUSS POLISH ISSUE. NO SOLUTION WAS FOUND BUT PROGRESS
WAS SUFFICIENT TO LEAD CHILE AND ARGENTINA TO REFER BACK
TO THEIR CAPITALS FOR NEW INSTRUCTIONS.

2. JAPAN SPOKE FOR FIRST TIME AND SUPPORTED POLAND'S
CASE. BELGIUM SUPPORTED ESSENTIALLY SAME LEGAL POSITION
AS U.S., BUT EMPHASIZED INADEQUACY OF FACTS PROVIDED BY

POLAND. UK UNDERTOOK AS HOST GOVERNMENT TO REQUEST AND CIRCULATE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

3. AUSTRALIA SUGGESTED SCENARIO WITH SIMULTANEOUS AD-MISSION OF POLAND AND AGREEMENT ON PROCEDURES FOR FUTURE CASES. PROCEDURES WOULD ENTAIL REQUEST THAT ACCEDING STATE FORWARD ITS POSITION AND DETAILS OF ITS SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITY TO HOST GOVERNMENT WELL IN ADVANCE OF NEXT MEETING, CIRCULATION OF THAT INFO BY HOST GOVERNMENT TO ALL CONSULTATIVE PARTIES, EXCHANGE OF VIEWS, AND NOTICE OF CONSENSUS RESULT TO ACCEDING STATE BY HOST GOVERNMENT.

4. ARGENTINA, WITH SUPPORT OF CHILE, CONTINUED TO INSIST ON RECOMMENDATION BY CONSULTATIVE MEETING FOR APPROVAL BY GOVERNMENTS CONTAINING FORMAL PROCEDURES AND CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING WHETHER SUBSTANTIAL SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITY IS BEING CONDUCTED, AND THEN APPLICATION OF THAT RECOM-MENDATION TO POLISH CASE. USSR INSISTS ON SELF-SUFFIC- IENCY OF TREATY ITSELF.

5. U.S. HAS INDICATED IT COULD CONSIDER AUSTRALIAN SUGGESTION WHILE HOLDING OUT NO HOPE OF AGREEMENT ON INTERPRETATION OF ARTICLE 9 IN THE FORM OF CRITERIA AND OPPOSING FORMAL RECOMMENDATION ROUTE. U.S. COULD GO ALONG WITH A SPECIAL CONSULTATIVE TO ACHIEVE AUSTRALIAN- TYPE SCENARIO.

6. UK SUGGESTED (1) IT WOULD OBTAIN AND CIRCULATE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON POLISH CASE; (2) THERE SHOULD BE A SPECIAL CONSULTATIVE MEETING BEFORE SEPTEMBER TO CONFIDENTIAL

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WELCOME POLAND AND ADOPT VERY SIMPLE PROCEDURES FOR FUTURE CASES, PROVIDED THAT DECISIONS WERE TAKEN AT THE MEETING AND NOT IN THE FORM OF APPROVED RECOMMENDATIONS. SOVIETS APPEAR TO SUPPORT THAT IF MEETING IS DIPLOMATIC AT AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL. ARGENTINES CANNOT MOVE PAST POSITION OUTLINED ABOVE, BUT UNDERTOOK TO CONSULT BUENOS AIRES. CHILEANS SEEM SOMEWHAT MORE FLEXIBLE BUT ALSO NEED NEW INSTRUCTIONS. MEETING WILL RESUME FRIDAY MORNING.

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